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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/68/680)*]

68/259. Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 2100 (2013) of 25 April 2013, by which the Council established the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali, requested the Secretary-General to subsume the United Nations Office in Mali into the Mission, with the Mission assuming responsibility for the discharge of the mandated tasks of the Office, as from 25 April 2013, and decided that authority be transferred from the African-led International Support Mission in Mali to the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali on 1 July 2013, at which point the latter would commence implementation of its mandate as defined in paragraphs 16 and 17 of resolution 2100 (2013), for an initial period of 12 months,

Recalling also its resolution 67/286 of 28 June 2013,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June

[1] A/68/538.
[2] A/68/653.

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2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali as at 30 November 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 127.7 million United States dollars, representing some 32 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 64 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Takes note* of paragraph 29 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that future budget proposals, derived from the standardized funding model, lead to the allocation of adequate resources to the Mission for effective delivery of mandated activities, taking into account lessons learned from the application of the model, and to report thereon;

10. *Also takes note* of paragraphs 45, 47, 50, 55, 57, 64, 66, 68 and 91 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

11. *Recalls* paragraph 4 of section XVIII of its resolution 61/276, in which it indicated that the purpose of quick-impact projects is to establish and build confidence in individual missions, their mandates and the peace process, thereby improving the environment for effective mandate implementation, and requests the Secretary-General to reflect this in future results-based budgeting frameworks for the Mission;

12. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts of the Secretary-General to enhance inter-mission cooperation, and in this regard calls for continued cooperation between the Mission and the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

14. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

Expenditure report for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013

15. *Takes note* of the expenditure report for the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013;[3]

16. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali the amount of 81,976,400 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013;

Financing of the appropriation for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013

17. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 75,321,180 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 67/286 for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 6,655,220 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the same period, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

18. *Also decides* that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, the amount of 400 dollars, representing other income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2013;

19. *Further decides* to reduce by 728,000 dollars the amount of the estimated staff assessment income set off against the apportionment among Member States for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 under the terms of its resolution 67/286, from the total amount of 769,300 dollars to 41,300 dollars, and to add the reduction of 728,000 dollars in the staff assessment income to the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above;

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

20. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account the amount of 602 million dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of the amount of 366,774,500 dollars previously authorized for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013 under the terms of its resolution 67/286;

21. *Also decides*, taking into account the support account requirements in the total amount of 6,118,300 dollars (net requirement of 5,660,700 dollars) for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and the amount of 3,845,200 dollars (net requirement of 3,602,500 dollars) already approved under the terms of its resolution 67/286 for the same period for the support account for peacekeeping operations, to

[3] A/68/538, sect. IV.

approve the additional support account requirements in the amount of 2,273,100 dollars (net requirement of 2,058,200 dollars) for the same period;

Financing of the appropriation

22. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 330,097,050 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 67/286 for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 271,902,950 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238;

23. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 22 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,[illegible]10,200 dollars, representing the balance of the estimated staff assessment income of 6,071,700 dollars approved for the Mission;

24. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

25. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

26. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

27. *Decides* to keep under review during its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali".

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